REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: 383318b-med.jpg

Other Known Title: Not Stated

Format: Computer Image File Printout

Director/Author: Not Applicable

Producer/Publisher: Not Applicable

Country of Origin: Not Stated

Language: Not Stated

Applicant: The District Court at Auckland

Distributor: Not Applicable

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive Note: Not Applicable.

Display Conditions: Not Applicable

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Date of direction to issue a label: Not Applicable

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Excisions: Not Applicable

Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

Summary of reasons for classification:

The computer image file printout entitled 383318b-med.jpg is classified as: Objectionable.

The publication promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes. It depicts two girls posing in an overtly sexual manner and position which encourages an adult viewer to see them as sexually available.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, as set out in section 14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. This outcome is consistent, however, with Parliament's intention that publications falling under section 3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.